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Vader water advisory ends; public meeting scheduled for July 20

OLYMPIA — Customers of the City of Vader water system no longer have to boil their drinking water. A health advisory issued Saturday has ended because lab tests received today show the water meets safe drinking water standards.

The utility issued the advisory after a water main broke, causing an outage to about five homes and loss of pressure throughout the water distribution system. The pressure loss could have allowed contaminated or untreated water to be drawn into the system, so the advisory was issued as a public health precaution. About 600 residents in the Lewis County community were affected.

Utility crews repaired the broken water main, flushed the lines, verified chlorine levels in the system and took numerous water samples to test for bacterial contamination.

City, county, and state officials will hold a public meeting on July 20 to discuss the future of Vader's water system. The meeting will be from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Vader's Lions Hall.

Vader has been dealing with aging water system problems for the past several years. The state Department of Health is working with the city and Lewis County on a long-term solution.

Customers who have questions about their water may call 360-295-3222.

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